



## **Table 4, Data Declaration**

### **Offenses Reported to Law Enforcement, by State by City 100,000 and over in population**

The FBI collects these data through the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program.

#### **General comment**

This table provides the number of offenses known to law enforcement for the first 6 months of 2008 and 2009 in cities with populations of 100,000 and over.

#### **Methodology**

- Data from law enforcement agencies whose resident population falls below 100,000 are published in this table for 2 consecutive years. After which, if the population remains below 100,000, the agency's data are no longer published in this table.
- When the FBI determines that an agency's data collection methodology does not comply with the national UCR Program's guidelines, the number of offenses are not included in the table and the discrepancy is explained in a footnote.
- The FBI does not publish arson data in this table unless the UCR Program receives data from the agency for the first 6 months of the year.

#### **Population estimation**

For the 2008 population estimates used in this table, the FBI computed individual rates of growth from one year to the next for every city/town and county using 2000 decennial population counts and 2001 through 2007 population estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau. Each agency's rates of growth were averaged; that average was then applied and added to its 2007 Census population estimate to derive the agency's 2008 population estimate.

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### **If you have questions about this table**

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